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9 stator of the generator. This arrangement also reinforces the mechanical cohesion of the elements mounted inside the pod and reduces vibration phenomena.

Page 2, please delete the seventh full paragraph, and replace it with the following new paragraph:

A2 An electricity generator constituted by a stator 3 and a rotor 4 (shown in part in the figure above the axis A) is mounted inside the pod 1 and is coupled to a least one propeller 5 via an epicyclic gearbox (stepdown gearbox) 6.

Page 2, please delete the eighth full paragraph, and replace it with the following new paragraph:

A3 The rigid outer fairing 7 of the pod 1 is formed by the metal body of the generator. The outer fairing 7 is surrounded coaxially by a tubular sleeve 8 which forms an annular passage 12 for the wind V driving the propeller 5. The end of the sleeve 8 facing the wind V is flared in this case and the propeller 5 is mounted at the back of the pod 1 relative to the wind direction so as to maintain a degree of stability in the flow of air along the passage 12 formed by the sleeve 8. The gearbox 6 is mounted inside the fairing 7 and the propeller 5 is fixed directly to the outlet of the shaft, thereby simplifying mechanical assembly and in particular simplifying coupling between the generator and the gearbox.

Page 3, please delete the first full paragraph, and replace it with the following new paragraph:

A4 The sleeve 8 can be held at a distance from the fairing 7 by means of supporting cross-members 9.
